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Behavioral Health Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
June 28, 2013

Members Present: Julie Barron, Joelene Beckett, Karen Cashen, Elmer Cerano, Becky Cienki, Mike Davis, Norm DeLisle, Elizabeth Evans, Benjamin Jones, Janet Kaley (for Mary Chaliman), Lauren Kazee, Marlene Lawrence, Shareen McBride, Chris O'Droski, Kevin O'Hare, Stephanie Oles, Jeff Patton, Jamie Pennell, Marcia Probst, Mark Reinstein, Ben Robinson, Lori Ryland, Kristie Schmiede, Patricia Smith, Sally Steiner, Jackie Termeer (for Kevin McLaughlin), Brian Wellwood, Jeffery Wieferich, Grady Wilkinson, Cynthia Wright

Members Absent: Sonia Acosta, Lonnetta Albright, Amy Allen, Linda Burghardt, Mary Beth Evans, Neicey Pennell

Others Present: Lt. Governor Brian Calley, Crystal Carrothers, Deborah Hollis, Elizabeth Knisely, Alia Lucas, Katherine O'Hare, Larry Scott, Felix Sharpe, Jennifer Stentoumis, Lynda Zeller

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves.

Approval of the March 22, 2013 Minutes:

Elmer moved and Marcia seconded to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved.

Bylaws Workgroup

Mark suggested amending the language on Article II, #2 to read "... people of the State of Michigan receiving behavioral health services." Marcia wanted the council to review Article IV, #6. Lori moved and many seconded to remove "the meeting previous to the date of election." Jeff Wieferich also mentioned that today's date needs to be added at the bottom of page 5. Joelene moved and Norm seconded to approve the bylaws as amended. The bylaws were approved unanimously.

Election of Officers

Elmer nominated Mark Reinstein for Chairperson; Kevin nominated Norm DeLisle for Vice-Chairperson; Becky nominated Marlene Lawrence for Secretary (she declined); Marlene nominated Lori Ryland for Chairperson or Secretary; Karen nominated Marcia Probst for Chairperson; Jeff Patton nominated Jamie Pennell for Chairperson. Marlene asked that the four nominees for Chairperson give the group a short speech about who they are and who they represent. Norm removed his name for consideration for Vice-Chairperson. Elmer moved and Kevin seconded to close nominations for the Chairperson. The motion was approved unanimously. The candidates gave their speeches. The Council members submitted their votes on

paper, and those on the webinar submitted theirs on the webinar chat. Marcia Probst was elected Chairperson of the BHAC.

Chris O'Droski is now the only candidate for Vice-Chairperson. Lori mentioned that those not elected from the Chairperson candidates be considered for other offices. Jamie was the only Chairperson candidate that indicated that she would accept Vice-Chairperson. A vote was taken for Vice-Chairperson the same way. Chris O'Droski was elected Vice-Chairperson of the BHAC.

Lori Ryland was the only member nominated for Secretary. Chris moved and Kevin seconded to close secretary nominations and have Lori Ryland become secretary. The motion was approved unanimously making Lori Ryland the Secretary of the BHAC.

Review Draft FY14-15 Block Grant Application

Karen walked the Council through some issues surrounding the block grant, the changes made by SAMHSA, the changes to the BHAC requirements, and the sections that MDCH was going to submit, but are not now. She noted that there are still going to be some changes to these sections, and she will send the revised sections to the Council by email.

The group reviewed the various sections. Becky will provide some language to Karen for section K. MDCH staff will make sure mental health court information, information on electronic health records, and #2 in Housing under the recovery section will be included. Stephanie will provide language to Karen for that section. Elizabeth suggested that consultation with tribes be added to technical assistance needs. Kristie suggested adding "recovery to the first line on #4 on page 91 to read, "peer recovery support services". She also added that she wanted to know if the Technical Advisory #11 Recovery Housing actually exists. MDCH staff will check on this or take it out on page 18 under Housing #1.

The group discussed some additional ways to solicit public comment. Karen asked if the BHAC would provide a letter of support for the application even if it is no longer required. Sally moved and Jeff Patton seconded to have the BHAC's executive committee provide the letter. The motion was unanimously approved.

Recovery Voices Update (June 11)

There have been two meetings and two new members since the last BHAC meeting. They are developing their advocacy agenda and looking at working on a legislative advocacy agenda. There will be a Legislative Day in September in Lansing at the same time as the peer conference. The group came up with their own physician's statement, and Chris read the 6 statements to the Council. The group meets the second Tuesday of every month. They would like to have meetings in the Upper Peninsula and are promoting their Facebook page to help expand membership. Chris will send a written summary of the group's activities to Karen to provide to the BHAC.

Recovery Council Update (May 17)

This group has had three main focuses: 1) Reviewing the policy issues surrounding quality of life and life expectancy, 2) Veterans issues - especially getting veterans who qualify for services connected to those services, and 3) Medicaid Expansion – maintaining advocacy efforts.

The group also had noticed that more support should be given to consumers who are being asked for their input on things like the duals plan on the front end. Norm indicated that he is currently working on a grant project that can provide just this kind of support, but it is a brand new project specifically for the duals project. Marlene requested more flexible funding for all kinds of projects. Elmer asked Marlene if she had any information on the feedback that consumers had received from legislators on Medicaid Expansion. So far they are all over the map.

Recovery-Oriented System of Care (ROSC) Steering Committee Update (June 20)

Felix gave an update on the new timelines for incorporating CAs into CMHs/PIHPs. ROSC is strong in some regions of the state and very weak in others. The group is looking at doing a survey of progress statewide. Lynda gave an update on the health care integration and BHDDA reorganization to include the elimination of BSAAS as an entity in favor of the office of ROSC.

Establish BHAC Priorities

Karen updated the Council on a webinar she attended sponsored by SAMHSA & NASMHPD that had some suggestions about what advisory councils can focus on in the implementation of the affordable care act. She provided a list of suggestions to the Council to start the discussion.

Elmer started the discussion with the status of Medicaid Expansion in Michigan. There is a hearing scheduled for July 3rd on Medicaid Expansion with time and location to be announced. It could be announced as early as tonight on www.michiganlegislature.org. Elmer suggested that BHAC members attend the hearing, and Grady also suggested people contact their legislators between now and July 3rd. This discussion was put on hold as Lynda arrived to provide an update to the Council.

Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities Administration Updates

Dual-eligibles: They are still looking at the 4 regions and will be releasing the RFP this summer. The feds do not have the capacity to split the money between the ICOs and the PIHPs, so the money will go first to the ICO, and there will have to be strong contractual language that will get money to the PIHPs for behavioral health and will ensure coordination, incentives, and outcomes. They cannot really provide detail on the RFP until it is released. The Memo of Understanding (MOU) from CMS & MDCH has not yet been finalized. There are opportunities for additional funding that may be available once the MOU is in place. Specific information on this can be found on the duals website: http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,4612,7-132-2939_2939_2939-259203--,00.html MDCH has made a commitment to keep to the standards as set forth in Medicare Part D; However, ICOs who have not had experience with both populations may have other ideas. MDCH will likely have to do education with ICOs to keep people on the same page. Lynda suggested that a presentation to the CMHs/CAs about Medicare Part D would be prudent. Lynda also discussed the opportunities for people to opt out of the duals project.

Internal Reorganization: On June 9th the BHDDA completed an internal reorganization. There are now two Bureaus: Bureau of Community Based Services & the Bureau of State Hospitals and Operations. There is still some clarifying going on so the reorganization continues to evolve. The purpose is full integration.

Mental Health and Wellness Commission & Diversion Council: These two commissions were created by executive order. The MH & Wellness Commission is time limited and will have recommendations by December 2013. The Diversion Council is an ongoing commission with appointees that include judges, sheriffs, MH professionals, etc. Lori will send the diversion priorities that came out of a pre-diversion council workgroup to Karen to send to the BHAC. Another difference between the two commissions is that the diversion council is about adults while the MH & Wellness commission is picking up children's and juvenile justice issues. The commission itself has six main members: a house republican and democrat, a senate republican and democrat, Director Haveman, and Lt. Governor Calley. Then there is a second tier of State Department representatives. They are looking at gaps and also revisiting previous MH Commission reports to see what has and has not been done. They have developed five workgroups to look at overcoming barriers to filling these caps and are still taking volunteers for the workgroups. There will also be three public hearings on the commission's activities coming up this fall.

Mental Health First Aid: There is a \$5 million one-time fund included in the state budget that is mostly targeted to children, but it also includes \$1.5 million in funding for mental health first aid training. The state will be rolling out this training in fiscal year 2014. This will enhance other mental health first aid initiatives already going on in the state. Mental health first aid has a formal definition that references a USA version of an Australia-based training for the general public.

Application for Proposals: This is on target, and they have gotten application from every region. Follow-up information was requested on each application that is due July 1st. Once those are in, there will be a site review to assure that PIHPs have appropriate information technology systems. Stakeholder input is also a very important focus. Marlene reiterated her point from earlier that in order to get stakeholder involvement there needs to be support on the front end. The BHAC members can help provide the Department with what is going well and what is not after January 1st.

Welcome and Remarks – Lt. Governor

Medicaid Expansion: Lt. Governor Calley spoke about the Governor's attempts to move the legislature forward to expand Medicaid eligibility in Michigan. The plan they came up with included good innovations. The top reason to do this is to support people that are working, but do not have access to affordable health care. He gave reasons why saying "yes" to Medicaid is important and noted that the federal budget deficit would actually be higher if they say "no" to Medicaid.

Mental Health & Wellness Commission: He discussed the composition and purpose of the group. This is an attempt to get needed change made by engaging policy makers at the front end. Creating champions within the system that makes the laws and the budgets. The commission wants their report complete by December so that recommendations can be made for the FY15 budget. Lt. Governor Calley commented on the July 3rd Senate Committee hearing on Medicaid Expansion that will be located on the 4th floor at the Capitol and some of the issues the expansion has been running into thus far. The public reason given by the Senate is that they are not going to allow a vote until 13/26 republicans will vote for it. This is not required by any law or regulation.

The Medicaid expansion will create \$205 million more in general fund room to get things done. You can contact the MH & Wellness Commission workgroup organizers to provide input at www.michigan.gov/mentalhealth.

He discussed the Diversion Council as well. This group was meeting informally, but the Council is the formalized group that is looking at improving options and outcomes for people with mental health concerns who are involved in the criminal justice system. The Lt. Governor then took questions from the council.

Jeff Wieferich asked the executive committee to work on identifying areas of focus for the BHAC before the next meeting.

Public Comment

Norm called the Council's attention to the flyer about the camp, "Her Power! Her Pride! Her Voice!" offered by the Michigan Disability Rights Coalition (MDRC). It is for women ages 15-19 to attend a 4-day camp to break through the beliefs that women have about their futures. There is still some room if there is someone you know that would be a good candidate. He also recommended a book published by O'Reilly media that he can send you a link to if you email him about it.

Stephanie informed the Council about a joint grant application between MDCH and MSHDA to provide funding to support the chronic homeless population in Detroit. They will find out if they will be receiving the funding in August. It is a 3-year grant just under \$2 million, and only 17 states could apply.

Brian announced that the JIMHO Annual Support Group Conference is on July 16th at LCC West.

Lauren announced another grant application that MDCH/MDE/MDHS collaboratively submitted for funding to support mental health access to services in schools in Saginaw, the Educational Achievement Authority, and Houghton Lake. It is \$2.2 million for 4 years.

Marcia wanted to point out that this is a great time to advocate for important changes that have been needed for years in the behavioral health arena. The group discussed some of the facets of these needed changes and how to assess the need and evaluate the effectiveness of our policies and practices.

Jeff Wieferich moved to adjourn and Norm seconded; the meeting was adjourned at 2:59 p.m.